

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-14 are pending in the application; the status of the claims is as follows:

Claims 1-5 and 10-14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,467,102 to Yoshinori Kuno, et al, ("Kuno") in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,777,611 to Yoon Seok Song, et al, ("Song").

Claims 6-9 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kuno in view of Song and further in view of JP 9265470 to Koichi ("Koichi").

Claims 1-14 have been cancelled, and new claims 15-34 have been added. The new claims find support throughout the specification. For example, claims 15, 25, 32, and 33 are supported by the description at page 3, lines 5-7, of the application. New claim 19 is described, for example, at page 7, line 1-4 of the specification. New claims 22 and 23 are supported by Fig.1, which shows multiple screens in an exemplary embodiment of a foldable e-book reader. The subject matter of new claim 24 is disclosed at page 12, lines 3-7. And, the subject matter of claims 30 and 31 is disclosed at page 15, lines 8-21.

It is respectfully submitted that new claims 15-34 distinguish Kuno, Song, and Koichi, because the references, taken singly or together, do not fairly disclose, teach, or suggest the claimed invention. For example, new claim 15 recites a feature wherein the control section prevents a display updating operation and an image reading operation from occurring concurrently. New claims 25, 32, and 33 recite analogous features. It is respectfully submitted that the art of record does not teach, disclose, or suggest the claimed features. Accordingly, claims 15, 25, 32, 33, and the claims depending therefrom are allowable over the prior art of record.

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CONCLUSION

Wherefore, in view of the foregoing amendments and response, this application is considered to be in condition for allowance, and an early reconsideration and a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

This Amendment does not increase the number of independent claims, does not increase the total number of claims, and does not present any multiple dependency claims. Accordingly, no fee based on the number or type of claims is currently due. However, if a fee, other than the issue fee, is due, please charge this fee to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260.


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If an extension of time is required to enable this document to be timely filed and there is no separate Petition for Extension of Time filed herewith, this document is to be construed as also constituting a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a period of time sufficient to enable this document to be timely filed.

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